

Delaware Bicycle Council August 3, 2005 DelDOT Administration Building Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Fred Breukelman, Dept. of Public Health Representative Don Carbaugh, Chair and New Castle County Representative Thomas Hartley, Kent County Representative Judith Jeffers, At-Large Representative Doug Mills, New Castle County Representative Nicholas Vacirca, Department of Education Amy Wilburn, At-Large Representative

DelDOT Support Staff Present

Liddy Campbell, Administrative Assistant Joseph Cantalupo, Assistant Director, Division of Planning Fritz Schranck, Deputy Attorney General, DelDot

Members Absent

Sgt. George Heberling, DE State Police Representative Harry Isaacs, Jr., Council on Transportation Danna Levy, Council on Greenways & Trail Rep. Laura Madara, DNREC Representative Lisa Moore, Office of Highway Safety Timothy Willard, Sussex County Representative Robert Witsil, At-Large Representative

Guests Present

Anthony Aglio, DelDot Planning John Boyle, Bicycle Coalition of Greater Philadelphia Tony Pezone, Sussex Cyclists

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 pm.

I. Welcome and Introductions

Introduction of Guests

Don asked the Council Members to introduce themselves, which included 3 new guests, Anthony Aglio, DelDot Planning, Tony Pazone, President of Sussex Cyclists and Special Guest Speaker, John Boyle, Bicycle Coalition of Greater Philadelphia was present to give a PowerPoint Presentation on Bicycling Route 1/Rehoboth Accident Analysis.

Council Membership Update

Don mentioned that the Governor would soon be appointing a new Council Member to the group, John Schneider, DelDot, Planning section.

II. Old Business

Newsletter and WebSite

Don stated that he would like to see another issue of the Newsletter out in October. Asked the Council if they would like to contribute articles to please do so by early September.

Joe reminded the Council Members if they would like to add any information to their Bio's on the Bike Council website, to contact either himself or Liddy Campbell.

HB 178 "Share the Road" License Plate Bill

Don gave a brief synopsis on the bill. He also stated the bill had been passed by the House in June, but has not gone any further and will not until the Legislators reconvene in January. He also stated that he is trying to get the Governor's approval and will try contacting the Governor's Council to see if at all possible to set up a meeting with the Governor and her Council to discuss on getting the bill passed.

Senate Bill 58 Kids Bicycle Helmet Bill

Don stated the bill has been passed by the Senate, but has not reached the House. Will have to wait until next session in January.

"Adopt-a-Bike Path"

Joe informed the council on July 27th, DelDot Public Relations department held a press event to kick off the new "Adopt-a-Bike Path" program. Joe stated that Daimler/Chrysler was the first to adopt a bike path in Delaware. Joe also mentioned that he, Don and the Public Relations department are working on implementing guidelines for the program. Joe is also working with Public Relations on compiling a mapping list of all Delaware State maintained bike paths for Public Relations to review and then will come up with a complete list. It was suggested that perhaps the Bike Council would be willing to adopt a bike path and majority of the members agreed that this was a good idea.

Bike Council Budget and Checking Account

Joe shared with the Council Members out of \$20,000.00 available funds, \$2,000.00 has been used to purchase Educational materials and bike trinkets, which leaves a balance of \$18,000.00 for the start of this year. He also mentioned that the Bicycle Council Checking account's balance is \$1400.00 and \$500.00 of that will be contributed to the Autism Society – Adaptive Bike Training event.

Bike Master Plan Rollout/Council Public Meetings

Joe informed the Council Members that a date has not yet been set for publication for the Bike Master Plan. August 15th is the deadline date, which will not make and will have to wait until September to submit for review and final publishing date will be October 10th. Once the Plan has been approved, Joe suggested a Bike Open House would be a good idea to present the plan.

Don reminded the Council that Public meetings should be held in each county.

III. Presentation

Route 1 / Rehoboth Accident Analysis — John Boyle

John Boyle, Bicycle Coalition of Greater Philadelphia, presented a PowerPoint presentation to the Council Members regarding Route 1/ Rehoboth Accident Analysis. There was great discussion between the Council Members on how to resolve the bike routing issues in Rehoboth and to come up with ideas on how to create safer routes for bicyclists in this area. It was suggested to continue this discussion at the next meeting so that the Council would have been able to research and come up with a better solution on how to better handle the issue at hand. All members were in favor and agreed to discuss at a later date.

IV. New Business

Autism Society Adaptive Bike Training Sessions

Judi shared with the members about the Adaptive Bike Training Sessions, which will take place on two different dates, August 29th in Milton, and September 26th at Bellevue, New Castle County. Each place will have 4 sessions, two in the morning and two in the afternoon. The City of Wilmington Police and Americor will be volunteering in the training sessions.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm